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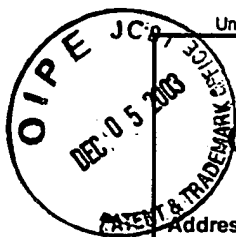
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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	10/024,633
Filing Date	December 17, 2001
First Named Inventor	Scott E. Silver
Art Unit	1774
Examiner Name	Tamra Dicus
Attorney Docket Number	500035.401

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    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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    - ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Miscellaneous**
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  - ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time; Fee Transmittal (+ copy)
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  - ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-1090.
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		Examiner Name	Tamra Dicus
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<b>FEE CALCULATION</b>					
<b>1. BASIC FILING FEE</b>					
<b>Large Entity</b>		<b>Small Entity</b>			
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>				<b>(\$)</b>	

<b>2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE</b>					
Total Claims	20	-65** =	0	* Fee from below	=
Independent Claims	1	-4** =	0	* Fee from below	=
Multiple Dependent				* Fee from below	=
<b>Large Entity</b>		<b>Small Entity</b>			
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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
<b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b>				<b>(\$)</b>	0

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<b>FEE CALCULATION (continued)</b>					
<b>3. ADDITIONAL FEES</b>					
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2520	1812	2520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1840*	1805	1840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	55
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2010	2255	1005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1510	1451	1510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	385
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) _____					
<b>*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid</b>				<b>SUBTOTAL (3)</b>	<b>(\$)</b> 440

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